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Title: A STABLE ISOTOPIC
IDENTIFICATION AND METHOD
FOR IDENTIFYING PRODUCTS
BY ISOTOPIC CONCENTRATION

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AMENDMENT BEFORE FIRST ACTION

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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted before first action on the merits. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

a1. Claim 1 (amended). An isotopic identification of a product comprising a mathematical array of concentrations of isotopes, said concentrations of isotopes being the result of an analysis of the natural occurring isotopes of said product, said mathematical array being presented in a readable form, said readable form being comparable to analytical results for the naturally occurring isotopes of unknown products, whereby unknown products can be identified with and differentiated from said unknown products, said readable form being indexed to stored product